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STRUCTURE HAVING A SILICON  
NITRIDE BARRIER LAYER  
ENCAPSULATING A  
SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE**

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U.S. Patent Documents

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